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12. [] Bill Ashworth, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called to say that the Committee would like to schedule Mr. Helms to appear in Executive Session on SALT verification at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 June. He said that in the Executive Session they would hope he could cover sensitive matters and provide exhibits, after which they hoped he would discuss less sensitive aspects of the verification problem in open session.

He said the Committee had scheduled Secretary Rogers and ACDA Director, Smith, for Monday the 19th, Mr. Helms and [] on Tuesday the 20th, and Secretary Laird and the Joint Chiefs on the 21st. I told Ashworth I would check with the Director and be in touch with him.

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14. [] Colgate S. Prentice, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations (House), called to say that the House Foreign Affairs Committee had defeated by one vote the "end the war" provision in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1972.

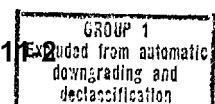
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25X1 5. [] Met with Mr. Ed Braswell, Staff Director, Senate
Armed Services Committee, and gave him notes for the Chairman's use for
possible floor argument on the effects of Section 515 of the Foreign Assistance
25X1A bill (S. 3390) as proposed by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. After
scanning through the notes Braswell said he had thought that we would be
providing the numbers of forces involved on an unclassified basis so that the
Chairman could make a complete presentation. After talking with Messrs.
Maury and [] I told Mr. Braswell that the detailed figures on the forces
in Laos are still considered classified to which he responded that what he
really meant was that we should keep in mind that as long as the figures remain
classified the war in Laos continues to be a secret CIA war. As far as protection
of the information is concerned should the Senator use the figures in a secret
session of the Senate on a classified basis, we could all be sure they would
become public knowledge shortly after the chamber doors were to open. He told
me that this question of the unclassified use of the number of forces involved
is relatively not very important because he does not know at this time whether
Senator Stennis will make any attempt concerning Section 515. Senator Stennis
was successful in the Committee jurisdiction question and may not care to go to bat
on this item.

25X1 6. [] In discussing the question of the amendments
to the Foreign Relations Authorization bill, Tom Korologos, of the White House,
repeated his earlier request that we "not do anything" without checking with him. 25X1
He complained that certain agencies were trying to get special exemptions for
themselves, whereas the Administration policy was to attack the entire body of
amendments across-the-board rather than piecemeal. []

[] He said
they understood this and I said we were planning to provide some background
material for possible use by Stennis.

25X1 7. [] Called Miss Lynn Braydrick, in the office
of Representative Charles B. Rangel (D., N.Y.), in response to her query as to
the status of our reply to the Congressman's letter to the Director of 6 June.
I said a letter was en route to the Congressman which he should receive tomorrow
morning and which would answer his questions about the basis for our failure to
provide him with the reports he requested. I added that we were reviewing the
classification of all these reports and were optimistic that at least some of them
could be declassified and made available to the Congressman within the next two
or three days.

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12. [] Told Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, we were providing Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, with some backup material which he had requested for Senator Stennis' use in attempting to strike section 515 of the Foreign Aid Authorization bill (S. 3390) which precludes the use of third country forces in Southeast Asia. We also discussed the issue which Senator Stennis is expected to fight over returning MASF funds to the Foreign Aid bill. Woodruff said he thought Senator Stennis would be successful in this again this year but added from his (Woodruff's) point of view it would be much better if they could get MASF funds out of the Defense Appropriations bill and into the Foreign Aid Appropriations bill. While this could be done even though the authorization remains in the Armed Services Committee, it is doubtful that this will ever25X1 happen.

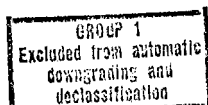
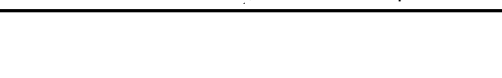


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